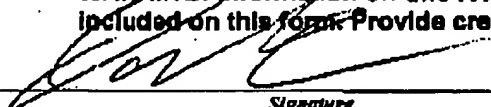


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In response to the Office Action mailed February 17, 2005, Applicants request
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